

STATE OF INDIANA

INDIANA UTILITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

PETITION OF INDIANA-AMERICAN	
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PETITIONER'S SUBMISSION OF ADOPTION OF TESTIMONY

Petitioner Indiana-American Water Co., Inc. informs the parties and the Commission that Petitioner's new President, David K. Baker, intends to adopt the testimony previously submitted by Terry L. Gloriod, with appropriate modifications. Attached hereto are two documents:

The first is the testimony of David K. Baker and the second reveals the changes that have been made to the previously filed testimony of Terry L. Gloriod.

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IURC CAUSE NO. 43187

TESTIMONY OF DAVID K. BAKER

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DIRECT TESTIMONY

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1	1.95% higher than those approved two years ago, and 6.29% higher than those
2	approved the prior rate case, Cause No. 42029.

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- 4 Q. Can you comment on the impact this recent rate history has had on the 5 Company's returns?
- Yes. First understand that by statute the DSIC is tied directly to actual increased 6 A. 7 costs associated with new rate base that produces no revenues. Therefore, the DSIC addresses new costs. It does not help mitigate inflationary pressures and it 8 9 does not eliminate or address existing deficiencies in our returns. Excluding the 10 DSICs, our rates today are at essentially the same level as those approved in the 11 preceding rate case in Cause No. 42029, which were based upon a test year that 12 ended in March, 2001. The net effect is that our returns on equity are 13 considerably below what the capital markets require. Mr. Jenkins is setting forth in his testimony an analysis of our historic returns, which confirms the depressed 14 15 earnings.

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- Q. Are the Company's costs of providing service at essentially the same level as those being incurred in 2000-2001?
- 19 A. No. Our costs had increased in Cause No. 42520 and, as will be described by other witnesses, they have increased again in this case.

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Q. Are there other factors besides cost increases which are causing the low returns on equity?

Yes. First, as Mr. DeBoy is testifying, we have made substantial investments in rate base that have not yet been reflected in rates because they were not eligible for inclusion in the intervening DSICs. Second, as Mr. VerDouw is testifying, our revenues are down such that our adjusted test year revenues are below the pro forma operating revenues at approved rates found by the Commission in Cause No. 42520. Third, we have had many costs that were disallowed in our last case that we believe should be recovered through rates. These are costs that we have actually incurred, but were not authorized to be recovered through rates. When these factors are combined -- higher costs, reduced revenues, and additional capital investment -- low returns on equity are the result.

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Q. What is the Company's objective in filing this case?

As Mr. DeBoy is testifying, we have significant capital additions, planned over the next 5 years. We are anticipating that during the period we must invest an amount equivalent to almost 60% of our net original cost rate base. We cannot attract the capital for these significant improvements with our current returns on equity. It is essential that we improve our actual returns to meet the expectations of capital markets.

- Q. What specifically are some of the components of the Company's request for increased rates at this time?
- 22 A. There are essentially four:
- 1. The Company has added over \$66.9 million to its net utility plant with a \$29.1 million increase to net original cost rate base since the cutoff

date used in the last rate order. Some of this has been reflected in DSICs that were approved in Cause No. 42351, but a significant portion still has not been reflected in rates. Approximately \$1.7 million of the increased revenue requirement is attributable to the change in our total rate base.

- 2. At the time rates were approved in our last rate case, the Commission found our cost of common equity to be 9.25%. Since that time, interest rates have steadily climbed. Those increases in interest rates have caused upward pressure on our cost of common equity. As a result, we are proposing in this case a cost of common equity of 11.5%. The increase in the cost of common equity produces an additional revenue requirement over and above what was approved in the last rate case of \$7.9 million.
- 3. Higher operating costs and lower operating revenues. Our adjusted general operation and maintenance expenses are approximately \$11.5 million higher during the test year than the operation and maintenance expenses recognized in Cause No. 42520. At the same time, our adjusted test year revenues were more than \$0.7 million below the revenues (excluding DSIC) that our rates in Cause No. 42520 were calculated to produce.
- 4. In the last rate case, substantial amounts of investment and expense were disallowed even though these were investments actually made by the Company. With respect to the investment in E-CIS and the Southern Indiana Operation Treatment Center, the Commission indicated a desire to see further information upon which it could complete its analysis. In this case, the Company will present that further information. The revenue requirement associated with E-CIS and the Southern Indiana Operation Treatment Center causes an increase of approximately \$1.8 million over and above what was approved in the last rate case.
- Taken together, these four components constitute 90% of our total rate increase request.
- 32 Q. Is the Company proposing any ratemaking treatment for the premium to acquire and merge with Northwest Indiana Water Company?
- A. No. Even though we continue to believe that at least some portion of our past requests for favorable ratemaking treatment should have been approved, our request was denied in both Cause No. 42520 and Cause No. 42029. We are not

seeking to renew that debate in this case. I should note that due to the pooling of interest method of accounting used to record that transaction, the premium paid to acquire and merge with Northwest is <u>not</u> included in the analysis of our returns on book common equity that Mr. Jenkins is presenting.

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ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

Q. Please describe the organizational structure of the Company.

Indiana American's service area is not like that of other Indiana water utilities. There are no other water utilities in the state, public or private, that have as broad or as geographically diverse a service area. In order to provide a consistent level of high quality service and to do so most efficiently, all of the utility operations are managed by our network operations staff who are able to proactively provide service to customers at the local level and who coordinate routine business plan initiatives as well as special problem resolution with technical corporate staff for support, guidance and direction.

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Q. What is the technical corporate staff?

The technical corporate staff includes those employees who have company-wide and, in some cases, multiple state responsibilities or responsibilities that relate to multiple local operations. The technical corporate staff provides technical support, guidance and direction to the local operations in the areas of Engineering, Communication, Water Quality, Human Resources, Legal Issues, Production and Loss Control.

Engineering and Communication staff are located in the Greenwood office and travel throughout the state as needed. The Water Quality Manager is located in the Greenwood office and coordinates multi-state and district operations. Additional Water Quality personnel are located in regional operation sites such as the Northwest Indiana Operations, Muncie and Richmond in the Eastern Indiana Operations, Terre Haute in the Central Indiana Operations and Jeffersonville/New Albany in the Southern Indiana Operations. Quality personnel respond to regional operational issues as they arise.

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The Production Manager is located in the Northwest Indiana Operations office and constantly travels throughout the state as needed and coordinates multistate and district operations.

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The Loss Control Managers for Indiana are located in the Greenwood and Gary offices and travel throughout the state as needed.

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- Describe the reporting relationships from Indiana to the Central Region Q. President and to you.
- The local network managers from the various operating districts report to one of 19 A. four Network Operations Managers in Kokomo, Gary, New Albany, and Terre Haute, who in turn report to the State General Manager of Network who is located in the Greenwood Office. The State General Manager reports to the Regional Director of Network, who, along with the Regional Directors of

production, maintenance, loss control, environment and engineering, report to the Regional Vice President of Operations. The Vice President of Operations, along with me (as President of Indiana American Water) and the Regional Vice President of Finance, Legal, Human Resources, Business Development and External Affairs report to the Regional President and form the Regional Executive Management team. The functional teams described carry out the objectives and actions that support my duties as President.

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Q. What are the areas of responsibility for each of these Network Operations Managers?

The four regional Network Operation Managers are responsible for the oversight of the day to day management and operation of the Company's network water and wastewater operations in Indiana. Reporting to each of the Network Operations Managers are the local operations managers for each of the local operations in the respective regions.

The Network Operation Manager in the Northwest Indiana Operations is located in Gary, and is responsible for distribution of water and the quality of service to the communities of Gary, Hobart, Merrillville, Burns Harbor, Porter, Dunes Acres, Portage, Ogden Dunes, Chesterton, Winfield, Crown Point and Schererville.

The Network Operation Manager in the Eastern Indiana Operations is located in Kokomo, and is responsible for the distribution of water and the quality of service

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The Network Operation Manager in the Central Indiana Operations is located in Terre Haute, and is responsible for the distribution of water and the quality of service to the communities of Noblesville, Crawfordsville, Shelbyville, Greenwood, Franklin, Mooresville, Terre Haute, Farmersburg and Sullivan.

The Network Operation Manager in the Southern Indiana Operations is located in New Albany, and is responsible for distribution of water and the quality of service to the communities of Jeffersonville, New Albany, Seymour and Newburgh.

In addition to the State General Manager of Network, a Business Process Supervisor is located in Greenwood, Indiana and is responsible for the development, review and management of capital and operating budgets and control of expenditures. The State General Manager is also the point of contract for the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission ("IURC") for routine matters and is responsible for the investigation and resolution of customer complaints

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American Water Works Divestiture

Q. What is the corporate history of Indiana American?

Prior to 1983, American Water Works owned the common stock of five water utility subsidiaries operating in Indiana, which provided service in and around Kokomo, Muncie, Richmond, Seymour, Sullivan and Terre Haute. On May 1,

1983, four of these corporations were merged into the remaining corporation, Kokomo Water Works Company, which simultaneously changed its corporate name to Indiana-American Water Company, Inc.

On August 31, 1993, Indiana American acquired the common stock of ICWC Holdings Inc. which owned all of the common stock of Indiana Cities. The acquisition was made pursuant to Commission approvals granted by its Order in Cause No. 39669 dated July 7, 1993. ICWC Holdings, Inc. was subsequently dissolved, making Indiana Cities a direct subsidiary of Indiana American. Pursuant to the Commission's order in Cause No. 39669, Indiana American and Indiana Cities merged on January 1, 1995.

In 1996, Indiana American acquired the sewer utility system of Farmington Utilities, Inc. pursuant to approvals granted in the Commission's Order dated October 2, 1996 in Cause No. 40442. Upon that acquisition, Indiana American commenced providing sewer utility service in an area in Delaware County near Muncie. The acquisition of the water utility serving the Town of Farmersburg occurred in 1998 in accordance with the Commission's Order in Cause No. 41290. This operation was combined into our Wabash Valley Operation. Effective January 1, 2000, the former Northwest Indiana Water Company, which had recently acquired Peoples Water Company, Inc. and the water utility properties of Shorewood Forest Utilities, Inc. ("Shorewood"), merged into Indiana American. On February 1, 2000, Indiana American also acquired and merged

with United Water Indiana Inc. and United Water West Lafayette Inc. (collectively "United"). In addition, Indiana American acquired the part of the water system of Watson Rural Water Corporation serving the Cementville area, the water systems owned by Prairieton Water Company, Turkey Creek Utilities, Westwood Water Company, the Town of Dune Acres, and the Freeman Field water system in Seymour. For a map of Indiana American's current operations please refer to Petitioner's Exhibit SRS-1 sponsored by Mr. Sagar.

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- 9 Q. What is Indiana American's relationship to American Water and, in turn, 10 RWE AG ("RWE")?
- 11 A. Indiana American is a wholly-owned subsidiary of American Water. American
 12 Water is a wholly owned subsidiary of Thames Water Aqua Holdings GmbH
 13 ("Thames Holdings"). Thames Holdings is a wholly owned subsidiary of RWE.

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- 15 Q. Is the relationship with RWE expected to change?
- 16 A. Yes. In November, 2005, RWE announced plans to divest American Water. In
 17 March, 2006, RWE announced that the divestiture would be accomplished
 18 through an initial public offering ("IPO") in the United States for the shares of
 19 American Water. The IPO will result in American Water again being a publicly
 20 traded company.

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Q. What is the status of the IPO?

The sale of shares of American Water in an IPO requires approval by the public utility commission in certain states as well as the filing of a registration statement with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. American Water has filed petitions in thirteen states for approval of RWE's divestiture or change of ownership of American Water and its subsidiaries. Four states have approved the transaction. The remaining petitions are continuing through the various state proceedings. While American Water cannot predict when these proceedings will be completed, this process is anticipated to be completed in 2007. Thereafter, American Water will proceed with the IPO process.

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At this time, American Water is restricted in what it may disclose about the actual terms of the IPO and other details of this process. U.S. securities laws and regulations impose strict restrictions on American Water, its local operating subsidiaries and employees as to what may and may not be said about the Company and the IPO process. However, all of this information will eventually be publicized at the time of the IPO.

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Q. What impact will the IPO have on Indiana American and this rate case?

None. Indiana American will continue to exist as a separate corporate entity. The shareholders of American Water will change, but I do not foresee that change producing any effect on our cost or management structure or the manner in which we do our business. We have a long history of successful operation of Indiana American as a subsidiary of a publicly traded American Water parent.

- 2 Q. Does this conclude your direct testimony?
- A. Yes at this time.

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23		2004 Order in our last ge	eneral case such that the Company's rates today are	
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approved the prior rate case, Cause No. 42029.	1	1.95% higher than those approved two years ago, and 6.29% higher than thos
	2	approved the prior rate case, Cause No. 42029.

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Q. Can you comment on the impact this recent rate history has had on the Company's returns?

Yes. First understand that by statute the DSIC is tied directly to actual increased costs associated with new rate base that produces no revenues. Therefore, the DSIC addresses new costs. It does not help mitigate inflationary pressures and it does not eliminate or address existing deficiencies in our returns. Excluding the DSICs, our rates today are at essentially the same level as those approved in the preceding rate case in Cause No. 42029, which were based upon a test year that ended in March, 2001. The net effect is that our returns on equity are considerably below what the capital markets require. Mr. Jenkins is setting forth in his testimony an analysis of our historic returns, which confirms the depressed earnings.

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Q. Are the Company's costs of providing service at essentially the same level as those being incurred in 2000-2001?

19 A. No. Our costs had increased in Cause No. 42520 and, as will be described by other witnesses, they have increased again in this case.

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Q. Are there other factors besides cost increases which are causing the low returns on equity?

A. Yes. First, as Mr. DeBoy is testifying, we have made substantial investments in rate base that have not yet been reflected in rates because they were not eligible for inclusion in the intervening DSICs. Second, as Mr. VerDouw is testifying, our revenues are down such that our adjusted test year revenues are below the pro forma operating revenues at approved rates found by the Commission in Cause No. 42520. Third, we have had many costs that were disallowed in our last case that we believe should be recovered through rates. These are costs that we have actually incurred, but were not authorized to be recovered through rates. When these factors are combined -- higher costs, reduced revenues, and additional capital investment -- low returns on equity are the result.

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Q. What is the Company's objective in filing this case?

- As Mr. DeBoy is testifying, we have significant capital additions, planned over the next 5 years. We are anticipating that during the period we must invest an amount equivalent to almost 60% of our net original cost rate base. We cannot attract the capital for these significant improvements with our current returns on equity. It is essential that we improve our actual returns to meet the expectations of capital markets.
- Q. What specifically are some of the components of the Company's request for increased rates at this time?
- 22 A. There are essentially four:

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23 24 The Company has added over \$66.9 million to its net utility plant with a \$29.1 million increase to net original cost rate base since the cutoff

date used in the last rate order. Some of this has been reflected in DSICs that were approved in Cause No. 42351, but a significant portion still has not been reflected in rates. Approximately \$1.7 million of the increased revenue requirement is attributable to the change in our total rate base.

- 2. At the time rates were approved in our last rate case, the Commission found our cost of common equity to be 9.25%. Since that time, interest rates have steadily climbed. Those increases in interest rates have caused upward pressure on our cost of common equity. As a result, we are proposing in this case a cost of common equity of 11.5%. The increase in the cost of common equity produces an additional revenue requirement over and above what was approved in the last rate case of \$7.9 million.
- 3. Higher operating costs and lower operating revenues. Our adjusted general operation and maintenance expenses are approximately \$11.5 million higher during the test year than the operation and maintenance expenses recognized in Cause No. 42520. At the same time, our adjusted test year revenues were more than \$0.7 million below the revenues (excluding DSIC) that our rates in Cause No. 42520 were calculated to produce.
- 4. In the last rate case, substantial amounts of investment and expense were disallowed even though these were investments actually made by the Company. With respect to the investment in E-CIS and the Southern Indiana Operation Treatment Center, the Commission indicated a desire to see further information upon which it could complete its analysis. In this case, the Company will present that further information. The revenue requirement associated with E-CIS and the Southern Indiana Operation Treatment Center causes an increase of approximately \$1.8 million over and above what was approved in the last rate case.

Taken together, these four components constitute 90% of our total rate increase request.

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- Q. Is the Company proposing any ratemaking treatment for the premium to acquire and merge with Northwest Indiana Water Company?
- A. No. Even though we continue to believe that at least some portion of our past requests for favorable ratemaking treatment should have been approved, our request was denied in both Cause No. 42520 and Cause No. 42029. We are not

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seeking to renew that debate in this case. I should note that due to the pooling of interest method of accounting used to record that transaction, the premium paid to acquire and merge with Northwest is <u>not</u> included in the analysis of our returns on book common equity that Mr. Jenkins is presenting.

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ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

Q. Please describe the organizational structure of the Company.

Indiana American's service area is not like that of other Indiana water utilities. There are no other water utilities in the state, public or private, that have as broad or as geographically diverse <u>a</u> service area. In order to provide a consistent level of high quality service and to do so most efficiently, all of the utility operations are managed by our network operations staff who are able to proactively provide service to customers at the local level and who coordinate routine business plan initiatives as well as special problem resolution with technical corporate staff for support, guidance and direction.

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Q. What is the technical corporate staff?

The technical corporate staff includes those employees who have company-wide and, in some cases, multiple state responsibilities or responsibilities that relate to multiple local operations. The technical corporate staff provides technical support, guidance and direction to the local operations in the areas of Engineering, Communication, Water Quality, Human Resources, Legal Issues, Production and Loss Control.

Engineering and Communication staff are located in the Greenwood office and travel throughout the state as needed. The Water Quality Manager is located in the Greenwood office and coordinates multi-state and district operations. Additional Water Quality personnel are located in regional operation sites such as the Northwest Indiana Operations, Muncie and Richmond in the Eastern Indiana Operations, Terre Haute in the Central Indiana Operations and Jeffersonville/New Albany in the Southern Indiana Operations. The Water Quality personnel respond to regional operational issues as they arise.

The Production Manager is located in the Northwest Indiana Operations office and constantly travels throughout the state as needed and coordinates multistate and district operations.

The Loss Control Managers for Indiana are located in the Greenwood and Gary offices and travel throughout the state as needed.

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- Q. Describe the reporting relationships from Indiana to the Central Region

 President and to you.
 - The local network managers from the various operating districts report to one of four Network Operations Managers in Kokomo, Gary, New Albany, and Terre Haute, who in turn report to the State General Manager of Network who is located in the Greenwood Office. The State General Manager reports to the Regional Director of Network, who, along with the Regional Directors of

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the Regional Vice President of Operations. The Vice President of Operations, along with me (as President of Indiana American Water) and the Regional Vice President of Finance, Legal, Human Resources, Business Development and External Affairs report to the Regional President and form the Regional Executive Management team. The functional teams described carry out the objectives and actions that support my duties as President.

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Q. What are the areas of responsibility for each of these Network Operations Managers?

The four regional Network Operation Managers are responsible for the oversight of the day to day management and operation of the Company's network water and wastewater operations in Indiana. Reporting to each of the Network Operations Managers are the local operations managers for each of the local operations in the respective regions.

The Network Operation Manager in the Northwest Indiana Operations is located in Gary, and is responsible for distribution of water and the quality of service to the communities of Gary, Hobart, Merrillville, Burns Harbor, Porter, Dunes Acres, Portage, Ogden Dunes, Chesterton, Winfield, Crown Point and Schererville.

The Network Operation Manager in the Eastern Indiana Operations is located in Kokomo, and is responsible for the distribution of water and the quality of service

to the communities of Kokomo, Muncie, Richmond, Winchester, Wabash, Somerset, Summitville, Warsaw and West Lafayette.

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The Network Operation Manager in the Central Indiana Operations is located in Terre Haute, and is responsible for the distribution of water and the quality of service to the communities of Noblesville, Crawfordsville, Shelbyville, Greenwood, Franklin, Mooresville, Terre Haute, Farmersburg and Sullivan.

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The Network Operation Manager in the Southern Indiana Operations is located in New Albany, and is responsible for distribution of water <u>and</u> the quality of service to the communities of Jeffersonville, New Albany, Seymour and Newburgh.

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In addition to the State General Manager of Network, a Business Process Supervisor is located in Greenwood, Indiana and is responsible for the development, review and management of capital and operating budgets and control of expenditures. The State General Manager is also the point of contract for the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission ("IURC") for routine matters and is responsible for the investigation and resolution of customer complaints

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American Water Works Divestiture

Q. What is the corporate history of Indiana American?

Prior to 1983, American Water Works owned the common stock of five water utility subsidiaries operating in Indiana, which provided service in and around Kokomo, Muncie, Richmond, Seymour, Sullivan and Terre Haute. On May 1,

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<#>We have added a position of President of Indiana American in 2006 which is an officer level position and is located in the Greenwood Office. As soon as the position is filled, expected in late 2006, I will resign my position as President of Indiana American. The reporting relationships described above will be enhanced by the addition of a resident president who will report to me and who will coordinate activities with the various regional directors. This resident president will also serve as a senior officer contact for the IURC as well as other state government agencies. I will also continue to be available to the IURC as a senior management employee of American Water, Indiana American's parent Company.¶

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1983, four of these corporations were merged into the remaining corporation, Kokomo Water Works Company, which simultaneously changed its corporate name to Indiana-American Water Company, Inc.

On August 31, 1993, Indiana American acquired the common stock of ICWC Holdings Inc. which owned all of the common stock of Indiana Cities. The acquisition was made pursuant to Commission approvals granted by its Order in Cause No. 39669 dated July 7, 1993. ICWC Holdings, Inc. was subsequently dissolved, making Indiana Cities a direct subsidiary of Indiana American. Pursuant to the Commission's order in Cause No. 39669, Indiana American and Indiana Cities merged on January 1, 1995.

In 1996, Indiana American acquired the sewer utility system of Farmington Utilities, Inc. pursuant to approvals granted in the Commission's Order dated October 2, 1996 in Cause No. 40442. Upon that acquisition, Indiana American commenced providing sewer utility service in an area in Delaware County near Muncie. The acquisition of the water utility serving the Town of Farmersburg occurred in 1998 in accordance with the Commission's Order in Cause No. 41290. This operation was combined into our Wabash Valley Operation. Effective January 1, 2000, the former Northwest Indiana Water Company, which had recently acquired Peoples Water Company, Inc. and the water utility properties of Shorewood Forest Utilities, Inc. ("Shorewood"), merged into Indiana American. On February 1, 2000, Indiana American also acquired and merged

1	with United Water Indiana Inc. and United Water West Lafayette Inc. (collectively
2	"United"). In addition, Indiana American acquired the part of the water system o
3	Watson Rural Water Corporation serving the Cementville area, the water
4	systems owned by Prairieton Water Company, Turkey Creek Utilities, Westwood
5	Water Company, the Town of Dune Acres, and the Freeman Field water system
6	in Seymour. For a map of Indiana American's current operations please refer to
7	Petitioner's Exhibit SRS-1 sponsored by Mr. Sagar.

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Q. What is Indiana American's relationship to American Water and, in turn, RWE AG ("RWE")?

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13 ("Thames Holdings"). Thames Holdings is a wholly owned subsidiary of RWE.

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Q. Is the relationship with RWE expected to change?

16 A. Yes. In November, 2005, RWE announced plans to divest American Water. In
17 March, 2006, RWE announced that the divestiture would be accomplished
18 through an initial public offering ("IPO") in the United States for the shares of
19 American Water. The IPO will result in American Water again being a publicly
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Q. What is the status of the IPO?

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The sale of shares of American Water in an IPO requires approval by the public utility commission in certain states as well as the filing of a registration statement with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. American Water has filed petitions in thirteen states for approval of RWE's divestiture or change of ownership of American Water and its subsidiaries. Four states have approved the transaction. The remaining petitions are continuing through the various state proceedings. While American Water cannot predict when these proceedings will be completed, this process is anticipated to be completed in 2007. Thereafter, American Water will proceed with the IPO process.

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At this time, American Water is restricted in what it may disclose about the actual terms of the IPO and other details of this process. U.S. securities laws and regulations impose strict restrictions on American Water, its local operating subsidiaries and employees as to what may and may not be said about the Company and the IPO process. However, all of this information will eventually be publicized at the time of the IPO.

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Q. What impact will the IPO have on Indiana American and this rate case?

None. Indiana American will continue to exist as a separate corporate entity.

The shareholders of American Water will change, but I do not foresee that change producing any effect on our cost or management structure or the manner in which we do our business. We have a long history of successful operation of Indiana American as a subsidiary of a publicly traded American Water parent.

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